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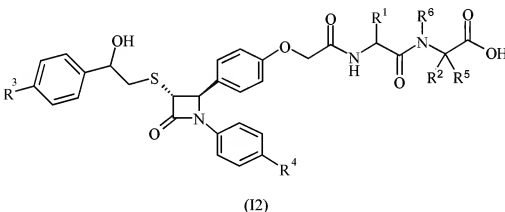
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**In the Claims:**

The current status of all claims is listed below and supersedes all previous lists of claims.

Please amend claims 2, 4, 9, and 10 as follows:

1. (canceled).
2. (currently amended) A compound of formula (12):



wherein:

$R^1$  is hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl, or  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl or a 4-10 membered aromatic mono or bicyclic ring containing 0 to 5 heteroatoms independently selected from nitrogen, oxygen or sulphur; wherein said  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl may be optionally substituted by one or more hydroxy, amino, guanidino, carbamoyl, carboxy,  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy,  $N$ -( $C_{1-6}$ alkyl)amino,  $N,N$ -( $C_{1-6}$ alkyl)<sub>2</sub>amino,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkylcarbonylamino,  $C_{1-6}$ alkylS(O)<sub>a</sub> wherein a is 0-2, or  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl or a 4-10 membered aromatic mono or bicyclic ring containing 0 to 5 heteroatoms independently selected from nitrogen, oxygen or sulphur; and wherein any said mono or bicyclic ring may be optionally substituted by one or two substituents selected from halo, hydroxy,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl or  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy;

$R^2$  and  $R^5$  are independently hydrogen, a branched or unbranched  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl, or  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl or a 4-10 membered aromatic mono or bicyclic ring containing 0 to 5 heteroatoms independently selected from nitrogen, oxygen or sulphur; wherein said  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl may be optionally substituted by one or more hydroxy, amino, guanidino, cyano, carbamoyl, carboxy,  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy, (a 4-10 membered aromatic mono or bicyclic ring containing 0 to 5 heteroatoms